House File 499 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 138)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to suspension of a student's participation in
- 2 the all Iowa opportunity scholarship program.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 499

- 1 Section 1. Section 261.87, subsection 2, paragraph f, Code 2 2021, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 f. Begins enrollment at an eligible institution within
- 4 two academic years of graduation from high school or receipt
- 5 of a high school equivalency diploma under chapter 259A and
- 6 continuously receives awards as a full-time or part-time
- 7 student to maintain eligibility. However, the student may
- 8 defer or suspend participation in the program for up to two
- 9 years in order to pursue obligations that meet conditions
- 10 established by the commission by rule or to fulfill military
- ll obligations.
- 12 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- This bill provides that a student may suspend participation
- 16 in the all Iowa opportunity scholarship program for up to two
- 17 years under conditions established by rule by the college
- 18 student aid commission or to fulfill military obligations.
- 19 Currently, a student may only defer participation in the
- 20 program for up to two years for such purposes.